## No. 16.

## DECEMBER 8, 1807.

Read the first and second time, and committed to a committee of the whole House, on Thursday next.

## A Bill,

Supplementary to the act, intituled "An act to prohibit the importation of certain goods, wares and merchandise."

- Sec. 1. BE it enacted by the senate and house of representatives of
- 2 the United States of America, in congress assembled, That nothing
- 3 in the act to which this is a supplement, shall be so construed as
- 4 to prohibit the importation of the following articles, that is to say:
- 5 First. Wrappers and outside packages in which goods, the im-
- 6 portation of which is not prohibited, usually are and shall be
- 7 wrapped or packed at the time of their importation;
- 8 Second. Bags or sacks in which salt shall be imported;
- 9 Third. Glass bottles or phials in which drugs, medicines, or any
- 10 other article, the importation of which is not prohibited, shall be
- 11 imported;
- 12 Fourth. Printed books, maps and charts;

- 13 Fifth. Watches, mathematical, astronomical and surgical instru-14 ments;
- 15 Sixth. Shalloons and woollen stuffs.
  - 1 Sec. 2. And be it further enacted, That the articles of the fol-
  - 2 lowing description shall be held and considered as being embraced
  - 3 by the description of articles, the importation of which is prohibited
  - 4 by the act to which this act is a supplement, that is to say;
  - 5 All articles manufactured entirely of silk and wool, or of silk
  - 6 and flax, or of flax and wool;
  - 7 Floor cloths;
  - 8 Woollen cassimeres, carpets, carpeting and mats, whose invoice
  - 9 prices shall exceed five shillings sterling, per square yard.
  - 1 Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That whenever a doubt shall
  - 2 arise whether any articles imported into the United States is em-
  - 3 braced by the description of articles, the importation of which is
  - 4 prohibited by the act to which this act is a supplement, the comp-
  - 5 troller's decision thereon, approved by the secretary of the trea-
  - 6 sury, shall be final and conclusive, and be taken and held in every
  - 7 respect as the true construction of the act.
  - 1 Sec. 4. And be it further enacted, That no articles which shall
  - 2 be imported from any place beyond the cape of Good Hope, on
  - 3 board any vessel cleared out before the day of
  - from any port within the United
  - 5 States or the territories thereof, for the said cape of Goop Hope,
  - 6 or any place beyond the same, shall be subject to the prohibition
  - 7 enacted by the act to which this act is a supplement.